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MEMORANDUM FOR: Abbot Smith
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Reading Room

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SUBJECT : Listing of NIEs in Weekly Current
Intelligence Summary

The last page of the weekly Current Intelligence Summary for 17 April contained the usual listing of intelligence issuances received during the previous week. In the case of the two National Estimates listed, OCR, which prepares this list, had interpolated certain parenthetical words or phrases onto the titles in order to make them more informative for machine run purposes; e.g., the title of SNIE 36.2-64 was expanded by a parenthetical phrase, saying "significance of decision to provide 500 modern medium tanks. This, as [Redacted] first pointed out, was bad. So too was the parenthetical addition to the title of NIE 36-64 by which the word "political" was inserted into "Main trends in the Arab world." This was just plain incorrect. (I have talked with ORR about this and at my request they have undertaken to leave the titles of NIEs and SNIEs precisely as given to them without further elaboration.

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